

Church News

Beaver City, Neb.

To the members of the Kanemorado conference greeting:—As your president for this conference year, permit me to make a few suggestions. We have been in conference assembled and conferred with each other, as to the best interest of the Master's cause. We all seemed to enjoy the meeting. It was a spiritual feast. To meet together, become better acquainted, talk over and lay plans enabling us to do more and better work for Christ and his cause is what we need. Now that we are in our homes enjoying our daily avocations in life, we must not forget our plans but go to work accordingly. To us belong all the various lines of work of all other conferences. We may not be able to do as much as most of the other conference districts. We are responsible for what we can do.

Mary of old was excused because she did what she could. God is not a partial God. Will he require less of us? Certainly not. Our district evangelist, A. J. Hixson is now ready and by the time you read this he will be in the field at work.

You remember we decided at our conference to raise three hundred dollars, to support him. It will require an effort to make good our promise. I think we have about one thousand members in Kanemorado district. With this number eight cents every quarter or $2\frac{2}{3}$ cents per month from each member would make a little more than the required amount set apart for evangelistic work. We have about \$69 in our treasury, or did have at the time of conference. This amount will soon be exhausted. We should go to work at once. Every congregation in Kanemorado can raise $2\frac{2}{3}$ cents per member every month, or eight cents every quarter equal to 32 cents during the year. Some good brother or sister or a committee in each congregation should be appointed to gather this money, not only for this but all kinds of mission work, home and foreign. I simply give this as a suggestion. Any plan more satisfactory to any congregation may be adopted, only so the money necessary to accomplish the Lord's work may be on hand when needed.

Our Mission Board will please arise and tell us in the EVANGELIST who you are, what you are doing and who is treasurer. So any congregation, or individual member living away from the main body may send the money to you.

I cannot forbear making mention of the College. We have repeatedly promised, in some way in our conference that we will do our part, or all we can to pay the College debt; will we make good this promise. Certainly we are not clear without making an effort to do what we can.

Now please let every congregation and every member in the Kanemorado district go to work and do, at once, what can be done. Our district evangelist will call on us in the interest of the College for this money, unless

we do what can be done. Let us do all we can within ourselves and save additional expenses.

Dear brethren I would urge that one and all take hold of the Master's work with a will, a self sacrificing determination that knows only victory for Christ. We should each take advantage of every opportunity possible to advance God's cause and kingdom. To this end let us pray and work.

Yours for Christ,

C. FORNEY.

College News

A letter from brother J. P. Wolfe Lathrop, Calif. says "all our college money of this district is now raised except \$75" Well that is not so bad. I believe the past and determination as well as the willingness to help in the general church work will not stop at their \$75, but that soon all will be paid in. A letter from A. J. Hixson, Parsons, Kansas, who is college solicitor for Kanemorado District, says "I have received the college apportionment and will go to work at once. What is assigned to our church will be paid if I have to do it myself."

This has the proper ring in it for a solicitor for any purpose. I predict success for Brother Hixson and hope and pray to this end.

Every item in the EVANGELIST with "college" for a head line I give precedence these days for I do want to get the debt paid and our institution reopened next time with no financial burden to bear it down. May that time speedily come.

H. M. LICHTY.

New Enterprise, Ind.

God has come to the rescue. We closed our meeting at New Enterprise Sunday evening November 7, with eight accessions by confession and baptism and with a good interest. This little class has struggled between life and death for about two years. Confusion has been the prevailing influence for some time, not among the members of our own beloved brotherhood, but others who have taken issue with them and it led to general confusion in the community and it has been hard to reconcile the matter, but things have changed and we have seen the light and we feel that a God of peace is again overshadowing us with his royal presence. While the ingathering is not large, yet we feel that God has wonderfully blessed us and to him we ascribe all glory and praise. We feel that this meeting will reach far into the future as the church is wonderfully built up and strengthened. Those who came in are of highly respected families, hence will add strength to the church. While one soul is just as precious in the sight of God as another and we rejoice to see them come, yet it is a fact that some wield a greater influence for good than others, and in this God has blessed us. On the second and third evening of the meeting our beloved brother, G. W. Rench, was there on his mission for Ashland College and preached us two good sermons, which

were highly appreciated by all, and brother L. S. Bauman was with us a few evenings and assisted us in prayer and song and preached one sermon for us which was good and had a good effect. The untiring efforts of sister Etta Tombaugh in prayer and personal work helped much in the work. Then the members lent a helping hand, so you see we were fellow helpers together in Christ and we return our thanks to all and shall ever praise God for the result. As Paul may plant and Apollos water, but the increase must come from God, and while the struggle is over in that meeting, yet I shall still continue to pray that others whom we left as Agrippa, almost persuaded, that God will bring them in. I sometimes fear that when God blesses us in a meeting that we rejoice and think the victory is over when we ought to go right to praying that God might keep up the revival in our hearts and in the church the year round. I like a revival that lasts all the year and then God would wonderfully bless us. Our next place will be at Loree, Saturday evening, Nov. 20. Now, brethren, I ask an interest in your prayers that God may bless our beloved brotherhood, is my prayer.

Yours fraternally,

D. A. HOPKINS.

Mulvane, Kans.

Our school is few in number, the interest very good. We have no preaching at this place and this greatly interferes with the interest of the Sunday-school. We tried several times last spring to get a minister to hold a protracted effort but have not been successful. We hope that we may be blessed with a successful revival this winter.

Yours Fraternally,

ESTELLA FELLERS.

Has Closed His Work

Rev. Zed Hetzel Copp closed his work as pastor of the First Brethren church yesterday morning in the presence of a large congregation. He was unanimously called to his work and took charge of it April 1, 1896. Mr. Copp states that it was owing to differences with some members of the Council that he tendered his resignation October 3, which was accepted. During his pastorate the church has grown in influence and numbers as never before. He has proved himself a tireless worker, a fearless and favorless preacher, the terrible foe of sin and yet withal the tender friend of the sinner. He has won for himself a host of friends as well as made some enemies. Both friends and enemies however are such as any Christian minister might be proud of. During his pastorate there were seventy-one additions to the congregation, the church debt was practically wiped out, a Christian Endeavor Society was organized, and a promising mission established at Waynesboro. He received and accepted the unanimous call to the pastorate of the First Brethren Church, Ashland, O., Tuesday, Oct. 19, and will take charge of the work Nov. 14. Between this and then his family will visit relatives in